(b) what steps, if any, the Government have taken or propose to take in the matter?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) Does not arise."

Civil Supplies lorries at Bobbili

* 1798 Q.—SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Civil Supply lorries of this State were stationed at Bobbili after 1st October 1953, and if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) whether the lorries have been used after 1st October 1953 to this date;

(c) whether any staff connected with that Unit were retrenched, and if so, how many and from when;

(d) how many lorries there are at present and the staff deputed to look after the same;

(e) whether a sum of Rs. 80,000 had been drawn at Madras towards the cost of purchase of spare parts and for repairs to the lorries stationed there during the period from December 1953 to May 1954; and

(f) whether any double payment has been made to any firm at Bobbili and whether it was brought to the notice of the Government recently, and if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) Thirty-one Civil Supplies lorries were at Bobbili after 1st October 1953 for movement of rice allotted to the State from Orissa.

" (b) The lorries were put off the road on 31st October 1953. They were however continued to be stationed at Bobbili as there was a proposal to lift some stocks of rice by lorries.

" (c) The following staff of the Unit were retrenched with effect from 20th December 1954 :—

(i) Upper Division Clerk	1
(ii) Fitters	2
(iii) Driver	1

" (d) All the 31 lorries referred to are now at Bobbili. The staff looking after the Unit at present is as follows :—

(i) Assistant Transport Officer	1
(ii) Senior Foreman	1
(iii) Driver	1
(iv) Cleaners	2
(v) Watchmen	2

" (e) During the period from December 1953 to May 1954 a sum of Rs. 88,619–12–0 was drawn by the Transport Officer, Civil Supplies Transport Unit, Madras, towards payment of bills relating to the expenditure incurred prior to 1st October 1953 on purchase of spare parts, cost of repairs and petrol tax, rent and electricity charges in respect of the Bobbili Unit when the lorries of the Unit were working in full swing.

" (f) During the audit of accounts of the Civil Supplies Transport Unit, Bobbili, for the half year ended 31st March 1954 by the Inspecting Accountant of the Board of Revenue (Civil Supplies) it was brought to notice that a double payment to a firm for Rs. 101–8–9 was suspected. The matter is under enquiry."

Government Secondary School, Mangalore

* 1799 *Q.*—

Mr. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member Sri Ishwara is not in his place. The answer will be printed in the proceedings."

Sri K. ISHWARA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether the Government have any proposal to construct a new school building for the Government Secondary Training School, Mangalore?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" No, Sir."

Veterinary Dispensary for Hanur

* 1800 *Q.*—Sri S. C. VIRUPAKSHIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to open a Veterinary Dispensary at Hanur in Kollegal; and

(*b*) if so, when it is likely to materialise?

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) There is no such proposal.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

Sri S. C. VIRUPAKSHIAH :—" Are the Government aware that the present dispensary covers an area of 1,076 square miles and because the eastern part of the area of Hanur abounds in cattle wealth of about 50 to 60 thousand, will the Government reconsider the proposal and start a dispensary in that place? "

The Hon. Sri M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" The touring billet located in Kollegal is not functioning well and it is now proposed to shift it to Hanur as suggested by the Hon. Member."